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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is submitted in the above-captioned application national stage application for PCT/EP00/00120. Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims

There are two claim numbers 13 in the application. Please cancel the second such claim 13.

Please amend claims 13 and 14 as shown in the attached pages. A marked version/of the claim set showing the changes made is also attached.

Please add new claims 15 and 16 as shown in the attached page.

Remarks

By way of this Preliminary Amendment, claims 1-16 are pending. The second claim 13 has been canceled and rewritten as new claim 16. Claims 13 and 14 have been amended to put the claims in a format appropriate for U.S. prosecution. Claims